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SATURDAY EVENING, NOV. 16, 1901.

The Lost Bargain.

It is Monday morning. Down the street hurries a stylishly dressed woman.

Why does she hasten so? Why that look of intense excitement in her eyes? Is she going to the office of her lawyer, there to hear the will of her favorite uncle read? Or is she hastening to the bedside of the dying? No; none of these. She pulls a newspaper out of her pocket and reads again the announcement of the wonderful bargains to be had at the department store.

She rushes frantically into the store. Yes; she can see before her the remnant of pongee silk which is selling at only 15 cents a yard. What a crowd of excited women are clustered about the prize!

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To Dwarf Trees.

To dwarf trees as the Chinese do you must follow their methods. They take a young plant, say a seedling or a cutting of cedar when two or three inches high, cut off its taproot as soon as it has enough other rootlets to live upon and replant it in a shallow pot or pan, allowing the end of the taproot to rest upon the bottom of the pan. Alluvial clay molded to the size of beans and just sufficient in quantity to furnish a scanty nourishment is then put into the pot. Water, heat and light are permitted on the same basis.

The Chinese also use various mechanical contrivances to promote symmetry of growth. As, owing to the shallow pots, both top and roots are easily accessible, the gardener uses the pruning knife and the searing iron freely, so that the little tree, hemmed on every side, eventually gives up the unequal struggle and, contenting itself with the little life left, grows just enough to live and look well.

Bull's Baby Syrup for teething babies, full-size bottle, 10 cents. Cures Wind Colic, Diarrhea, Loss of Sleep, Griping Pains, Sour Stomach, Fever, Cholera Infantum. Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup also promotes the digestion and soothes the baby. Sold by Richard Gibson and all druggists.

Reliable and Gentle.

"A pill's a pill," says the saw. But there are pills and pills. You want a pill which is certain, thorough and gentle. Mrs. Nutt's gripes, Dr. Wm. Little, East. Beers fill the bill. Painfully variable. Do not force but assist the bowels to act. Strengthens and invigorates Small and easy to take. For sale by E. S. Lodebeater & Sons.

Opening of Winter Tourist Season. The Southern Railway, which operates its own lines over the entire South and forms the important link in the great highway travel between the North and South, Florida, Cuba, Mexico, the Pacific Coast and Central America, announces for the winter of 1901 and 1902 the most superb service ever offered. Its splendid regular service will be augmented by the Southern Palm Limited, a magnificent Pullman train, which will be open between New York and St. Augustine, Florida.

Winter Excursion Rates.

Effective October 15, excursion rates are placed on sale by the Southern Railway to all principal winter resorts of the South and Southwest. Ask any agent Southern Railway for full information.

OPENING AND CLOSING OF MAIL.

Northern mails, week days, close at 7:30 and 10:45 a.m., and 1:15, 2:50, 6:50 and 7:55 p.m. Open at 8:00 a.m., 12:00 m. and 4:30 p.m. On Sundays Northern mails close at 1:30 p.m. and 7:20 p.m.

Southern mails via Charlottesville, close at 7:55 and 10:45 a.m. and 2:45 and 7:55 p.m. Open at 8:00 a.m. and 2:30 and 4:30 p.m.

Southern mails, via Richmond, close at 10:45 a.m. and 2:55 and 7:55 p.m. Open at 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 m. and 4:30 p.m.

Midland Division mails close at 7:50 a.m. and 3:45 p.m. Open at 12:30 p.m.

Alexandria and Round Hill mails close at 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Open at 8:00 a.m. and 1:15 and 3:30 p.m.

Chesapeake and Ohio mails close at 2:45 p.m. and 7:55 p.m. Open at 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Washington mails close at 7:30 and 10:45 a.m. and 1:15, 2:50, 6:50 and 7:55 p.m. Open at 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 m. and 4:30 p.m.

Office Hours. Open at 8:00 a.m. Close at 6:00 p.m.

Sunday Hours. Open at 8:00 a.m. Close at 9:30 a.m.

Carr's' Schedule. Collection made on acids routes—8:30 and 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 and 5:30 p.m. Full route—8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Sunday collection 5:00 p.m.

Carriers' window open Saturday 9:00 a.m. and close 9:30 a.m.

Dell's wine made 8:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.

All mail should be in office ten minutes before our indicated for closing.

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SARATOGA CHIPS—Fresh Saratoga Chips received today.

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Holding more than one-tenth of the capital stock.

Oct 15/01

AUCTION SALES.

By E. F. Knox, Auctioneer.
Auction Sale of VALUABLE FARMING PROPERTY IN THE COUNTY OF FAIRFAX, VIRGINIA.

Pursuant to a decree rendered on the 3rd day of June, 1901, in the chancery cause pending in the Circuit Court of Fairfax County, Va., wherein Peter H. Watkins is complainant, and Wm. Ed. B. Watkins et al., are defendants, the plaintiff will offer for sale at public auction on

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1901,
at 10:00 a.m., in front of Cato's Tavern, at "West End Alexandria," Fairfax County, Va., the following desirable tract of land, being a division of the "Strawberry Hill Farm," and belonging to the estate of Elizabeth A. Watkins.

FIRST: A TRACT OF LAND containing 287:100 acres, on the north side of the Little River Turnpike adjoining the lands of Col. Arthur Herbert, James Pease and Co., containing about 21 acres of cleared land, and the balance of the original woodland. There are desirable building sites on the tract, a fine water and a good spring.

SECOND: A TRACT OF LAND containing 84:3:10 acres, lying to the westward of the above tract, on the south side of the Little River Turnpike adjoining the lands of Col. Arthur Herbert, James Pease and Co., containing about 50 acres of cleared land, and the balance of the original woodland. There are several fine springs on this tract and a good stream of water.

THIRD: A TRACT OF LAND, lying on the south side of the Little River Turnpike, containing 100:13:100 acres, improved by a good two-story, twelve-room time house, stable, barn, and other out-buildings, and adjoining the lands of Leonard Brown and Frank Hill. This tract is all cleared land, and about 50 acres consist of fine meadowland. There are four good springs on the tract and a good barn capable of holding 60 tons of hay.

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Thanksgiving Coal

for cooking the turkey and for baking is something you must have in advance. If you want a clean fire burning coal that will give just the kind of fire you need, place an order now with us.

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